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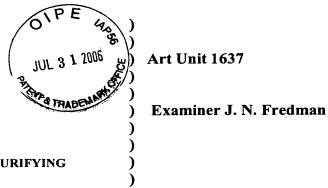
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**NUCLEIC ACIDS** 

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## **RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT**

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed on July 6, 2006, the period of response to which is set to expire on August 6, 2006. Applicants hereby elect the continuing prosecution of Group I as recited in claims 1-3, 9-10, 13-17 directed to methods of nucleic acid purification and classified in Class 536, subclass 25.4, without traverse.